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Slightly over one per cent of the harvest was left out over the winter, and over one-third of that is expected to be combined this spring. Flooding and wild life damage made the remainder of the crops unsuitable for harvest, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food's weekly crop report.

Central and northern regions are home to the bulk of the leftover harvest.

Livestock feed grain and forage supplies are reported in a carry over position, according to over 95 per cent of reporters.

In a general overview, fields in the south could use rain, while fields in central and northern areas need drying conditions. Farmers are fixing fences, readying machinery, picking rocks, applying chemicals and fertilizer, and cleaning grain. There were reports of seeding in the southwest.

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1 Year Ago

The previous fall, between 2% and 3% of the crop was not harvested due to poor weather conditions.

Reporters expected about 48% of that unharvested crop to be combined in the spring, depending on the weather.

Livestock feed grain and forage supplies were reported in a carry over position by more than 95% of the reporters.

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South eastern Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 1, 2, & 3as-east)

This past week was warm and windy in the southeast. An average of 9 mm of precipitation fell during the past week, ranging from a minimum of 2 mm reported in Crop District (CD) 1a, to a maximum of 13 mm reported in CD 3ase. Several reporters would like to see a good rain, particularly for pastures.

Less than 1/2% of the south eastern crop remained to be harvested from last year, and 40% is expected to be combined this spring.

All south eastern reporters reported carry over of livestock forage supplies, while 97% of reporters indicated a carry over of feed grain supplies.

Farmers are cleaning seed, getting equipment ready, fencing, fertilizing hay land, picking rocks, harrowing, and applying chemicals. Gopher populations are already causing concern in CD 1b. Winter annual weeds are growing. Fall crops are doing well.

South western Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 3as-west, 3an, 3b, & 4)

The southwest was generally warm and windy during the past week. An average of 10 mm of precipitation was reported during the past week, ranging from an average low of 1 mm reported in CD 4b, to an average high of 12 mm reported in CD 3bn. Rain would be welcome in most areas as reserves are low.

Less than 1/2% of last year's harvest remained out over winter in the southwest, and about 3% of that is expected to be combined.

Ninety-eight per cent of south western reporters rated livestock forage supplies as being in a carry over position, and 96% rated feed grain supplies as being in a carry over position.

Farmers are cleaning grain, seeding grass, rolling hay land, applying chemicals, picking rocks, and readying machinery. CD 3asw reported lots of gophers. The grass is greening up, and the weeds are growing. Fall crops are coming up.

There are reports of seeding in the Rush Lake, Eastend, Consul, and Burstall areas.

East central Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 5 & 6a)

Temperatures were generally above normal in the east central region during the past week. An average of 12 mm of precipitation fell during the past week, ranging from an average low of 9 mm reported in CD 5a, to an average high of 14 mm reported in CD 5b. Flooding is reported in several areas.

Just over 1% of the 2005 crop remained to be harvested in the east central region. Close to half of that is expected to be combined. Some harvest left in the fields over winter sustained too much wildlife damage to harvest. In some areas, swaths floated away as low lying areas flooded.

All reporters rate livestock feed supplies as being in a carry over position.

Farmers are cleaning grain and getting machinery ready. There are reports of flooding causing road damage and washing out culverts in CD 5a. Fall seeded crops are growing in the region.

West central Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 6b & 7)

The week started off cool in the west central region, but temperatures rose by the end of the week. An average of 13 mm of precipitation fell during the past week, ranging from an average low of 7 mm reported in CD 6b, to an average high of 17 mm reported in CD 7a. Some roads are under water and some fields are saturated.

About 3% of the 2005 crop was left out in the west central region. Just over 50% of that is expected to be combined.

All reporters rate livestock feed supplies as being in a carry over position.

Farmers are cleaning grain, getting equipment ready, and trying to pick rocks. Fall seeded crops are growing. Winter annual weeds are also growing. Farmers are struggling to get bales off wet fields.

North eastern Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 8 & 9a-east)

Temperatures rose above normal in the northeast during the past week, helping to change the landscape from white to brown. An average of 3 mm of precipitation fell during the past week, ranging from an average low of 2 mm reported in CD 8b, to an average high of 4 mm reported in CD 8a. There has been lots of flooding in the area, damaging roads, houses, and fields.

Between 1% and 2% of the 2005 crop was left out in north eastern fields over winter and over 60% of that is expected to be combined.

All reporters rate livestock feed supplies in the carry over position.

Farmers are repairing machinery, but will need good drying weather before they can hope to get out on the fields.

North western Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 9a-west & 9b)

The northwest saw temperatures warm and winds increase toward the weekend. An average of 1 mm of precipitation fell during the past week, with no measurable precipitation reported in CD 9b. There was some flooding, damaging roads and filling low spots in fields.

North western areas had 3% of the 2005 crop out over the winter. Farmers hope to combine about one quarter of that crop. Some was contaminated with deer droppings.

All reporters rate livestock feed supplies as being in a carry over position.

Farmers are preparing machinery for spring fieldwork which they will start once the land is dry enough.

Weekly Rainfall Summary

(in millimeters)

for the week ending April 15, 2006

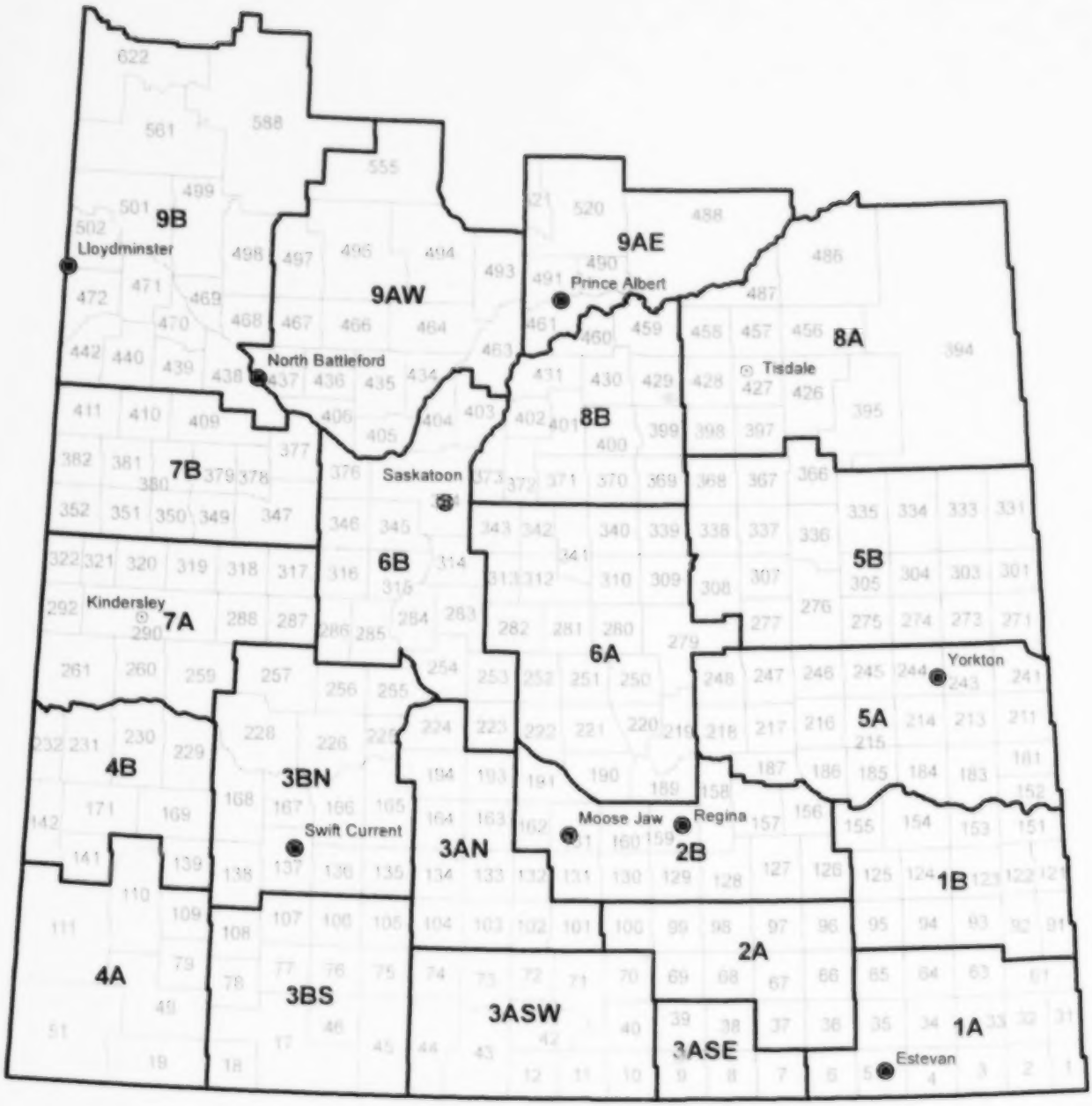
Crop Dist.	No.	Municipality Name	Past Week	Since April 1
1A	1	Argyle	NIL	NIL
	2	Mount Pleasant	1	9
	3 B	Enniskillen	3	4
	33 A	Moose Creek	2	2
	34	Browning	6	10
	35	Benson	2	13
	64	Brock	NIL	2
	65	Tecumseh	4	4
1B	92	Walpole	7	7
	93	Wawken	4	4
	93 B	Wawken	8	8
	95	Golden West	2	2
	121	Moosomin	10	10
	123	Silverwood	12	12
	124	Kingsley	5	7
	125	Chester	8	8
	151 B	Rocanville	16	16
	155	Wolseley	7	7
2A	36	Cymri	10	14
	68	Brokenshell	15	15
	96	Fillmore	9	9
	97	Wellington	10	11
	99	Caledonia	19	21
2B	126	Montmartre	11	11
	127	Francis	12	12
	129	Bratt's Lake	8	12
	131	Baildon	15	22
	156 A	Indian Head	13	13
	156 B	Indian Head	14	15
	157	South Qu'appelle	19	19
	158	Edenwold	9	10
	160	Pense	5	5
	161	Moose Jaw	14	14
	191	Marquis	19	19
3ASE	8	Lake Alma	8	9
	9	Surprise Valley	15	15
	38 A	Laurier	20	22
	38 B	Laurier	12	13
	39 A	The Gap	15	15
	39 B	The Gap	9	9
3ASW	10	Happy Valley	10	10
	12	Poplar Valley	9	9
	42	Willow Bunch	11	11
	43 A	Old Post	13	13
	43 B	Old Post	11	11
	44	Waverley	11	11
	70	Key West	14	14
	71 A	Excel	13	13
	71 B	Excel	6	6
	73 A	Stonehenge	15	N/A
	73 B	Stonehenge	15	16
3AN	101 A	Terrell	18	24
	101 B	Terrell	6	13
	102	Lake Johnston	14	20
	103	Sutton	NIL	N/A
	132	Hillsborough	12	14
	134	Shamrock	24	N/A
	194	Enfield	5	6
3BS	17 A	Val Marie	12	12
	17 B	Val Marie	15	15
	46	Glen Mcpherson	15	15
	75 A	Pinto Creek	15	15
	75 B	Pinto Creek	17	17
	76 A	Auvergne	5	6
	76 B	Auvergne	13	13
	77	Wise Creek	12	17
	78 B	Grassy Creek	7	10
	78 C	Grassy Creek	10	10
	106	Whiska Creek	10	10
	107	Lac Pelletier	2	2
	108	Bone Creek	13	16
3BN	135	Lawtonia	17	17
	136	Coulee	17	18
	138	Webb	6	6
	165	Morse	12	14
	166	Excelsior	7	9
	167	Sask. Landing	18	23
	225	Canaan	6	6
	228 A	Lacadena	11	16
	228 B	Lacadena	21	26
	257	Monet	7	13
4A	19	Frontier	11	12
	49 B	White Valley	6	6
	51	Reno	6	10
	109	Carmichael	TR	6
	110	Piapot	TR	2
	111 A	Maple Creek	1	4
	111 B	Maple Creek	NIL	3
4B	141	Big Stick	TR	4
	142	Enterprise	1	11
	232	Deer Forks	2	11
5A	152	Spy Hill	7	7
	183	Fertile Belt	3	3
	184 A	Grayson	1	1
	185	Mcleod	8	8
	186	Abernethy	13	13
	211	Churchbridge	13	13
	213	Saltcoats	6	6
	216	Tullymet	17	17
	217 A	Lipton	9	9
	217 B	Lipton	1	1
	241	Calder	9	9
	245 B	Garry	9	9
	246	Ituna Bon Accord	15	15
	247	Kellross	11	11
	248	Touchwood	10	10
5B	271	Cote	14	14
	273	Sliding Hills	17	17
	275 B	Insinger	18	18
	276	Foam Lake	10	10
	277	Emerald	17	17
	304	Buchanan	12	12
	307	Elfros	22	22
	308	Big Quill	18	18
	333	Clayton	13	13
	335	Hazel Dell	15	15
	336	Sasman	16	16
	337	Lakeview	12	13
	338	Lakeside	13	13
	366 A	Kelvington	9	9
	366 B	Kelvington	8	8
	367	Ponass Lake	8	8
6A	189	Lumsden	27	27
	190 B	Dufferin	28	28
	190 C	Dufferin	22	22
	219 C	Longlaketon	13	13
	220	Mckillop	17	17
	221	Sarnia	14	17
	222	Craik	6	10
	279 A	Mount Hope	6	6
	279 B	Mount Hope	13	13
	312	Morris	7	10
	339 B	Leroy	15	17
	340 A	Wolverine	9	15
	340 B	Wolverine	10	15
	341	Viscount	4	4
	343	Blucher	10	29
6B	283	Rosedale	4	7
	284	Rudy	8	14
	285	Fertile Valley	10	23
	286	Milden	NIL	7
	344	Corman Park	5	N/A
	345	Vanscoy	8	22
	346	Perdue	19	42
	376 A	Eagle Creek	13	15
	376 B	Eagle Creek	3	3
	404	Laird	2	N/A
7A	259	Snipe Lake	13	13
	287	St. Andrews	2	14
	288	Pleasant Valley	10	26
	292	Milton	14	24
	318 A	Mountain View	16	32
	318 B	Mountain View	15	23
	320	Oakdale	33	51
	321	Prairiedale	33	48
7B	347 A	Biggar	12	12
	350 A	Mariposa	19	19
	350 B	Mariposa	31	34
	351	Progress	25	26
	352	Heart's Hill	26	26
	377	Glenside	2	2
	378 A	Rosemount	14	16
	379	Reford	14	14
	382	Eye Hill	15	15
	409	Buffalo	9	9
	410	Round Valley	5	5
8A	397	Barrier Valley	11	11
	398	Pleasantdale	8	8
	428	Star City	TR	TR
	456	Arborfield	5	5
	457 A	Connaught	NIL	NIL
	458	Willow Creek	2	2
	486	Moose Range	2	N/A
	487	Nipawin	2	2
8B	370	Humboldt	3	3
	371	Bayne	1	3
	373	Aberdeen	3	N/A
	401	Hoodoo	NIL	NIL
	402	Fish Creek	2	2
	429 A	Flett's Springs	NIL	N/A
	429 B	Flett's Springs	3	3
	430	Invergordon	1	1
9AE	461	Prince Albert	3	6
9AW	406	Mayfield	1	1
	435	Redberry	2	2
	463	Duck Lake	2	2
	464	Leask	NIL	TR
	466	Meeting Lake	NIL	NIL
	467	Round Hill	NIL	NIL
	494	Canwood	5	5
	496	Spiritwood	NIL	NIL
	497	Medstead	1	1
	555	Big River	NIL	NIL
9B	438 A	Battle River	NIL	NIL
	472	Wilton	NIL	2
	498 A	Parkdale	NIL	NIL
	499	Mervin	NIL	1
	501 A	Frenchman Butte	NIL	4
	501 B	Frenchman Butte	NIL	TR
	502	Britannia	NIL	3
	561	Loon Lake	NIL	NIL
	588 A	Meadow Lake	NIL	NIL
	588 C	Meadow Lake	NIL	NIL

These precipitation amounts represent point locations within each municipality and do not necessarily reflect the whole R.M.

N/A-information is incomplete

Municipality No: A, B, C, and D - more than one reporter

Crop Districts
and
Rural Municipalities



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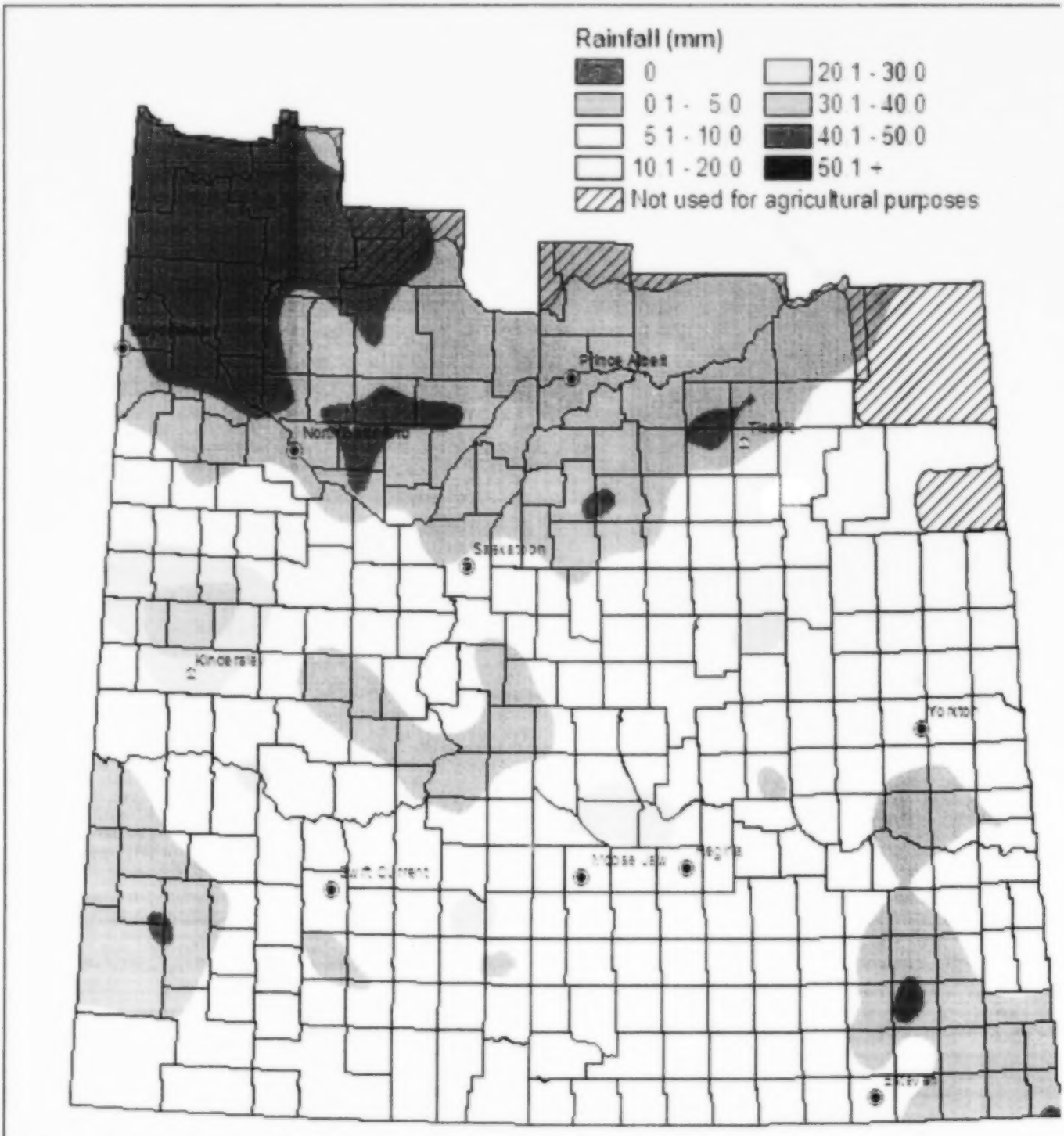

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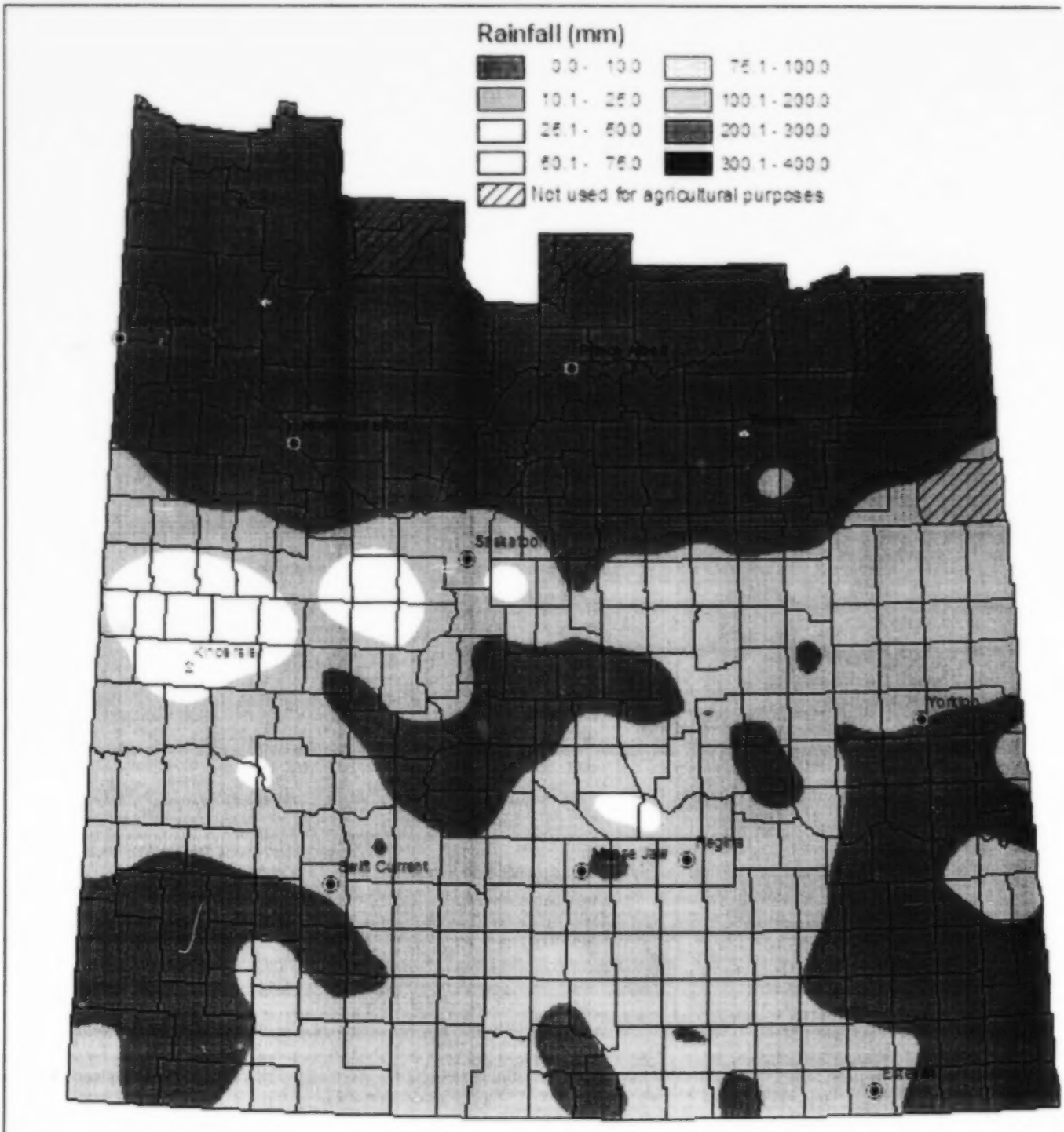
Cumulative Rainfall

From: April 1, 2006

To: April 15, 2006



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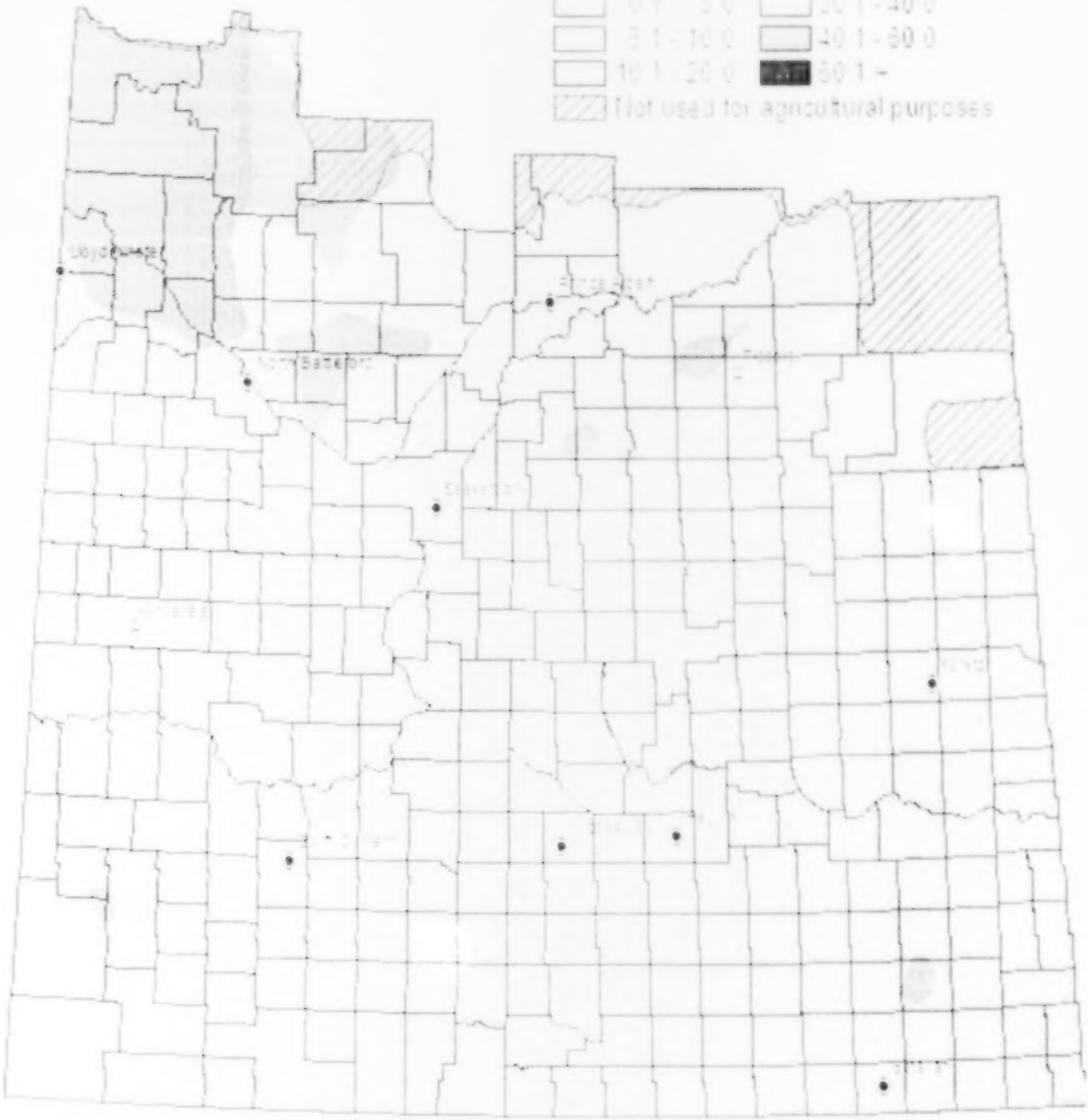

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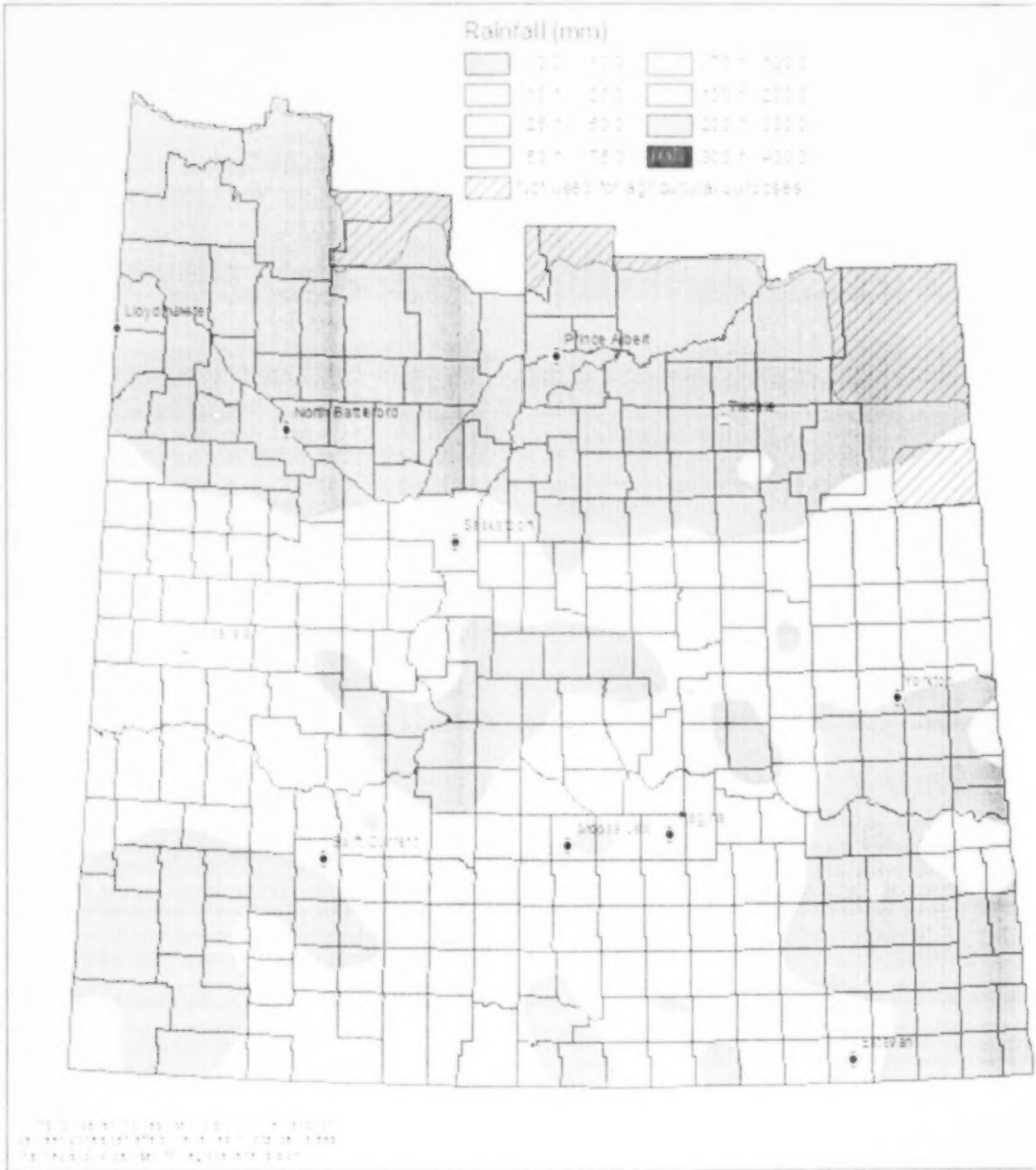
To: April 15, 2006



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